(i) Anti-touting staff has been deployed in all the parking lots and near pre-paid taxi booths;

(ii) Traffic staff as well as local police keep constant watch at pre-paid taxi booths and check reliability certificate at the time a foreign tourist leaves the airport by a taxi. The practice of recording the address/destination of the foreign tourists at the back side of the pre-paid slips has been introduced.

(iii) All taxis are again checked at the exit pickets and necessary entries regarding pre-paid slip and destination are made in the register being maintained there for the purpose.

(iv) ACPs/SHOs at Indira Gandhi International Airport and Palam Airport taken round at vulnerable points during peak hours.

(v) Closer vigil is being kept on violation of rules by the Hotels and Guest Houses.

(vi) The concerned staff posted at the Airport has been briefed time and again to curb touting menace. During the years 1997 and 1998 (upto 15.5.98), a large number of touts were rounded up and vehicles impounded. The details are as under:

Year	Number of touts arrested	Number of vehicles impounded
1997	630	151
1998 (upto 15.5.98)	757	407

Construction of Ram Temple

814. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:
SHRI GAYA SINGH:
SHRI S.M. KRISHNA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that parts of a Ram Temple are being constructed at Ayodhya and Pindwara in Rajasthan which will be assembled at the Janambhoomi site in Ayodhya by Kar Sevaks by the end of the century;

(b) Whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news-item appearing in the Indian Express, New Delhi edition, dated the 12th May, 1998 in this regard; and

(c) if so, the details of Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI): (a) No such construction activity is going on at the disputed Ram Janma Bhoomi-Babri masjid site at Ayodhya. However, from various sources reports have been received that some cutting and carving of stone pillars are going on at places away from the disputed site at Ayodhya and at some villages in Rajasthan.

(b) Yes Sir.

(c) Carving of stones away from the disputed Ram Janma Bhomi-Babri Masjid site at Ayodhya does not constitute violation of any law. However, in compliance with the Supreme Court's judgement dated 24.10.94, status-quo is being maintained at the disputed site at Ayodhya.

Babri Masjid Demolition Case

815. SHRI NILOTPAL BASU: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering to delink the people who are charge-sheeted in the demolition of Babri Masjid from criminal charges; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI): There is no such proposal under consideration.

(b) Does not arise.

Police Officials Grilled by Delhi Court

816. SHRI O.P. KOHLI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a Delhi Court grilled two police officials for falsely implicating an innocent persons under the Delhi Police Act as has been brought out in the news-item appearing in the Hindustan Times, dated the 11th February, 1998; and

(b) if so, what action Government propose

to take to ensure that no police official harassess any innocent person and such police officers who do not behave properly and brought to book for stringent action?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI): (a) and (b) Delhi Police have reported that a person was apprehended on 17.3.1997 from ISBT, Kashmere Gate by two police officials and booked under Section 103 of the Delhi Police Act, 1978 after they became suspicious of this person's conduct on account of his movements, his not having the keys of the suitcase he was carrying and his not being able to describe the contents of the suit case. Learned Metropolitan Megistrate, vide his order dated 5.2.1998, acquitted the accused and advised action against the police personnel concerned. Delhi Police have, however filed a revision petition in the Sessions Court challenging the order of the Metropolitan Megistrate.

मध्य प्रदेश में जैन मंदिर से मूर्तियों की चोरी होना

817. **श्री राघवजी:** क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार को इस तथ्य की जानकारी है कि मध्य प्रदेश के शिवपुरी जिले में जैन मंदिर से बड़ी संख्या में प्राचीन मूर्तियों के सिर काटकर चुरा लिए गए हैं जिससे देश में जैन समुदाय में भारी रोष एंव तनाव है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उक्त घटना का संपूर्ण विवरण क्या है;

(ग) क्या राज्य सरकार ने उक्त मामला केन्द्रीय जांच ब्यौरो को सौंपे जाने की पेशकश की है यदि हां, तो उस पर क्या कार्यवाही की गई है ;और

(घ) क्या सरकार ने उपरोक्त मामले में राज्य सरकार से पूछताछ की है; और यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं?

गृह मंत्री (श्री लाल कृष्ण आडवाणी): (क) से (घ) मध्य प्रदेश सरकार से प्राप्त एक रिपोर्ट के अनुसार गोलाकोट, जिला शिवपुरी स्थित एक जैन मंदिर से 24/25 अप्रैल, 1998 की रात को मूर्तियों की चोरी हुई। यह मामला भारतीय दंड संहिता की धारा 457, 380 और 295 के अंतर्गत दर्ज किया गया। इस चोरी में अंतर्राष्टीय गिरोह के शामिल होने की आशंका और मामले की संवेदनशीलता के कारण, राज्य सरकार ने अनुरोध किया है कि अन्वेषन के लिए यह मामला केन्द्रीय जांच ब्यूरो को सौंप दिया जाए। उस मामले में आगे कार्रवाई के लिए राज्य सरकार से, दिल्ली विशेष पुलिस स्थापना अधिनियम, 1946 की धारा 6 के अंतर्गत अधिसूचना जारी करने के लिए कहा गया है।

Directives to Police for viewing Hindi Film

818. SHRI NILOTPAL BASU:
SHRI E. BALANANDAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item which appeared in the Stateman, dated the 13th May, 1998 that the Inspector General of Police, Gwalior zone have issued directives a few days ago that the "Investigative Officers" of his zone should watch a Hindi action film at lease one every fortnight in order to improve their "understanding of current modus operandi of murders and kidnappers" and

(b) if so, whether this exposes the limitations and draw back of police forces in the country?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K.ADVANI): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.

Offer for Mega Power Projects

819. SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that despite US threat of sanctions because of recent underground nuclear tests conducted by Government certain US, Australian and Chinese Companies have offered to set mega power projects in the country;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether any decision has been taken by Government in the matter; and

(d) if so, the terms and conditions on which Government have accepted the offer(s)?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI R. KUMARMANGALAM): (a) Some foreign companies including companies from US and China have evinced interest in setting up mega power projects in the country. The Government